



OFFICE OF
INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

In the Matter of

No. G 2004-36

**LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI
SYNOD FOUNDATION**

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) ORDER SUSPENDING
) CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION NO. 146

To: Mark Stuenkel, President
The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod Foundation
1333 South Kirkwood Road
St Louis MO 63122

IT IS ORDERED and you are hereby notified that pursuant to RCW 48.38.050 Certificate of Exemption No. 146 issued to you to issue charitable gift annuities is hereby **SUSPENDED** effective April 2, 2004, until further notice by the Insurance Commissioner, or for a period of one (1) year, whichever comes first.

This suspension is applicable to the sale, solicitation, or issuance of any new charitable gift annuities in the State of Washington. Provided, however, THE LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD FOUNDATION shall remain fully obligated: (1) under its charitable gift annuities in force, and authorized to administer said annuities as well; and (2) to comply with all other provisions of Chapter 48.38 RCW, including but not limited to, reporting requirements and payment of annual and other fees.

THIS ORDER IS BASED UPON THE FOLLOWING:

The Insurance Commissioner of the State of Washington finds that there presently exist conditions precluding THE LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD FOUNDATION from being eligible to hold a Certificate of Exemption to issue charitable gift annuities in this state. Specifically, THE LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD FOUNDATION no longer meets minimum financial requirements of RCW 48.38.010(6). THE LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD FOUNDATION filed its annual report as of December 31, 2003 reporting unrestricted net assets of -\$2,334,686, which is less than the minimum of \$500,000.

Chapters 48.04 and 34.05 RCW provide THE LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD FOUNDATION the right to demand a hearing on this order.

SIGNED AND ENTERED this 2nd day of April, 2004.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael G. Watson".

Michael G. Watson
Chief Deputy Insurance Commissioner